Town of Milton, Vermont Recreation Commission Regular Meeting

Wednesday January 11, 2023 - 5:00 p.m. Milton Municipal Building Community Room

Commissioners in attendance: Rod Moore, Emily Reinhardt, Kim Thompson

Staff in Attendance: Jenna Tucker Eugair

1. Call to Order: Rod – at 5:06 pm

2. Amendments to Agenda – None

3. Public Forum – None

- 4. **Approval of Previous Minutes**: Motion made by Emily Reinhardt seconded by Kim Thompson all approved.
- 5. Recreation Commission Report
 - a. Recreation Reports Updates Kim reported that the Holiday Decoration contest went well, 19 houses participated. Discussion will have to look at sticking to max limits next year due to traveling around town.
 - b. Volunteer Opportunities / Rec Commission work
 - i. Winter Festival Volunteer help will be needed more discussion in Recreation Department Report.
 - ii. Ice Out Looking to get everything finalized and ready to go. Hopeful launch first week of February. Weather appears to be getting better. Rod will meet up with Ben to assist
 - c. Recruitment
 - i. No update on MHS student recruitment.
 - ii. Discussion about getting the word out to get additional members on board. Brochures and working with PTA to advertise was discussed.
 - d. Set Goals for 2023 Deferred to next month. Members asked to come up with ideas for 2023. 2023 goals for the Commissioners, goals for the Recreation as a whole.
 - i. Think about ideas, projects, or programs the Commission should work on in 2023. Send any ideas to Jenna.

6. Recreation Department Report

- a. Budget and CIP FY24 Selectboard is still deliberating, nothing has been finalized. Board is awaiting ARPA questions in order to finalize Capital Improvement Plans and Budgets. Tentative Recreation budget has been approved as proposed.
- b. Grange Update Renovations to the Grange has started, may last till March with possible usage in April. Planning to start using for programs in April and renting to the public in May.

c. Park Projects

- Tennis Courts RFP bids were returned, no takers. RFP bid was edited from suggestions of those that provided feedback. Updates were sent to USDA for approval.
- ii. Mountain Bike Trails / Trails and Pathways Jenna, Ben and Ryan met with Chittenden County Group, will be making our trails apart of the Chittenden County Trail System. This will assist us in scheduling events, maintenance. Will be working on signage for the grand opening in June.

d. Events

- i. Wrap Up Letters to Santa was a success this year. 210 letters received; previous years were around 130 letter. Most letters came from Milton. Santa replied to all. Holiday Light Parade went off nicely. 18 participants involved, had a couple of cancelations due to having to push it back a week due to inclement weather on original date.
- ii. Ongoing / Upcoming Events Discussion about changing the date of the Winter Festival, still looking at February 17th -19th instead of February 10th -12th due to Superbowl on February 12th. Again, any ideas for events/program please pass on to Jenna
- 7. Next Meeting February 08, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.
- **8. Adjournment** Motion made by Kim Thompson to adjourn at 6:15 p.m., with a second by Emily Reinhardt. Motion approved unanimously.